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SUBJECT: LIECHTENSTEIN MEMBERSHIP IN UN

1. AT REQUEST OF SENATOR PELL, DEPSEC IO BLAKE MET WITH CROWN PRINCE HANS-ADAM OF LIECHTENSTEIN TODAY. PRINCE SAID LIECHTENSTEIN CONSIDERING APPLYING FOR UN MEMBERSHIP. ALTHOUGH THERE SOME OPPOSITION IN COUNTRY TO THE MOVE (FYI PRINCE TOLD EUR SEPARATELY THAT PRIME MINISTER KIEBER HAS EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE IDEA), LIECHTENSTEIN SOUNDED OUT AUSTRIA AND SWITZERLAND AND THEY UNOFFICIALLY FAVORABLE TO LIECHTENSTEIN'S SEEKING MEMBERSHIP IN UN. HOWEVER, LIECHTENSTEIN DOES NOT WISH TO MOVE AHEAD WITHOUT SOME INDICATION OF USG POSITION. PRINCE SAID FORMERLY USG HAD OPPOSED ADMISSION OF LIECHTENSTEIN AND SMALL STATES. IF USG WERE NOW TO TAKE LEAD IN OPPOSING LIECHTENSTEIN, LATTER WOULD PROBABLY NOT APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP. LIECHTENSTEIN
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NOT REPEAT NOT INTERESTED IN ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP, AS USG

PREVIOUSLY SEEMED TO URGE.

2. BLAKE SAID ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP OPTION FOR SMALLER STATES HAD NOT DEVELOPED AS WE PREVIOUSLY HAD HOPED. ALTHOUGH USG STILL HAS RESERVATIONS ON SMALL NATIONS' MEMBERSHIP, NOT POSSIBLE TO KNOW AT THIS TIME WHAT USG POSITION WOULD BE. THERE IS STILL SOME OPPOSITION TO ADMISSION OF VERY SMALL STATES TO UN BOTH IN CONGRESS AND IN AMERICAN PUBLIC AT LARGE. ALSO IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO KNOW

IN WHAT POLITICAL CONTEXT QUESTION OF LIECHTENSTEIN MEMBERSHIP MIGHT ARISE IN UN. HOWEVER, US IS GOOD FRIEND OF LIECHTENSTEIN AND WOULD OF COURSE CONDUCT HERSELF ACCORDINGLY.

3. PRINCE SAID HE PLANS DISCUSS LIECHTENSTEIN MEMBERSHIP WITH SEC GEN WALDHEIM ON APRIL 26. HE EMPHASIZED NO DECISION YET MADE TO APPLY BUT IF LIECHTENSTEIN DID DECIDE, WOULD PROBABLY APPLY JUST PRIOR TO OPENING OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIS SEPTEMBER. KISSINGER

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